

SUDDEN FRENZY TO SEIZE UPON STALD BUSINESS MEN OF CITY

Nearly a score of Honolulu business and professional men of high standing, whose unity has never been questioned or doubted heretofore, will march down the principal thoroughfares of the city next Saturday afternoon, arrayed in cap and bells, prisoners' stripes, mendicant's garb, and other astonishing outfits, capering and yawning in antics intended to make the wildest of street urchins envious and cause apprehensive shudders among the staid populace.

If there is any limit to what these formerly dignified and highly respected citizens will do it will be only because of the limited imagination of the men conceiving the program. The occasion is the semi-annual ceremonial session of the Ancient Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, held by the local chapter, and the men scheduled to perform in the circus parade are the novitiates who desire to enter the mysterious order.

Among these will be such men as

Attorney E. A. Douthitt, H. B. Walker and Sam Walker. The Shriners comprise the social branch of the Masonic lodge, and only those who have taken the thirty-second degree may enter it. The local chapter of this order already contains about 265 members, and about seventeen will be taken in next Saturday. The weird march through the streets is only a part of their initiation. The program begins at 1:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon with the parade starting from the Masonic temple. At some other place, unknown to the novitiates and the general public, the final initiatory session, where loosed goals and buckets of red-hot sand will be served the candidates in various ways, will be held. The session will close in the evening with a big banquet at the Alexander Young Hotel.

The entire roll of novitiates is not known yet, and will not be determined until a final meeting of the Shriners is held Friday night.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE DODGES ACTION ON NEW CHARTER PUZZLE

Leaves the Matter in the Hands of the Territorial Executive

At their meeting yesterday afternoon, the trustees of the Chamber of Commerce declined to take up the matter of a new municipal charter, at least until the governor asks for the counsel of the business organizations on the subject.

With the president, F. C. Atherton, were present E. I. Spaulding, F. Klapp, W. F. Dillingham, J. E. Paxton and H. P. Wood, secretary-treasurer.

Mr. Wood read a financial report showing a balance of \$217.65 in hand. He also read a number of communications, a summary of which follows:

From the Inspector of the 19th District, Honolulu, and John R. Desha, secretary to the delegate, Washington, saying that the legislature under Kukul was to remain stationed at Honolulu for the present.

From the Associated Chambers of Commerce of the United States, giving notice of its meeting in Washington on January 11, 1913. Mr. Paxton mentioned that Sidney M. Bailon was scheduled as delegate from Honolulu.

From the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, enclosing copy of a pending bill in Congress to give it a Federal charter and asking for its support of the local chamber. This was referred to the committee on legislation and public improvements to prepare a resolution in support of the bill.

From the U. S. Consul at Rio Janeiro, announcing the organization of the Brazilian Chamber of Commerce and outlining its objects.

From the National Business League of America, enclosing its platform.

From Bruce Cartwright, Jr., consul in Mexico, giving notice of the meeting of the American National Congress.

From the (National) Chamber of Commerce, inviting this chamber to send five delegates to the Good Roads Congress. It was said by a member that there was not time to convene with anyone near enough to Honolulu to send representatives.

From the National One-cent Letter Business Association, requesting support for the cause. Referred to the committee on legislation and public improvements.

From the Chamber of Commerce of the Atlantic of the Associated Chambers of Commerce of the Pacific Coast on the proposition to have the name of the Panama Canal changed to the American Canal. The reply was that the matter had not been laid before that body.

From the Hills Board of Trade, conveying resolutions of the civic conference held in that city, asking each commercial body in the Territory to urge legislators to make adequate provisions for promotion work, and endorsing efforts for local government reform on "lay lines" suggested by papers read at the conference.

President Atherton made an oral report on the matter of excessive water rates to shipping, to the effect that as a result of a conference with the governor and the superintendent of public works, the rates had been reduced 10 per cent, with a promise of a further reduction when increased revenue justified it.

Mr. Paxton presented a report of

the committee on shipping, harbors and transportation, on a letter from J. M. Alexander asking if there was any combination within the knowledge of the chamber between over-sea steamship lines and railroads in restraint of trade. The committee had been unable to find evidence of such combination and recommended that Mr. Alexander be so informed. Adopted.

President Atherton brought up the question of extra compensation from the chamber to the delegate's secretary, which R. W. Shingle had spoken to him about.

"In the circumstances," said Mr. Spaulding, "I don't see how the chamber can take action at present. It has contributed an extra salary to Mr. McGowan because he was a useful man to the chamber."

"I may add," said the president, "that the delegate has stated that he would be glad to do anything he could for the chamber."

Mr. Spaulding said it would be very useful to have a man who could act quickly, for instance, calling was necessary.

The president queried whether the secretary would have any influence.

"It depends on the man," answered Mr. Dillingham. "The chamber should have an able man to represent it. The question of whether the delegate's secretary ought to be employed is one that should be taken up promptly."

Mr. Spaulding moved that the president of the chamber take the matter up with the president of the Merchants' Association, as to whether the two bodies might have a joint representative in Washington.

Mr. Dillingham said he would go further and include the Planters' Association, with a view to getting Mr. Bailon's services for all three bodies. This did not appear to be considered practicable, and the motion carried without amendment.

President Atherton submitted to the meeting the question of calling a general meeting to consider the matter of a new municipal charter for Honolulu.

Mr. Spaulding asked if the governor did not intend to take the initiative. After a short conversation it seemed to be the sense of the meeting that the matter should be left with the governor for the present, no motion being made, and the president adjourned the meeting.

ON TRAIL OF LONE SOCIALIST

When the election returns from the little island of Nihoa came in the other day Territorial Secretary Mott-Smith, after glancing through the report, announced that it was up to him to do a little "sleuthing" to discover the lone Socialist of the island. It seems the law specifically states that election inspectors in each precinct must be selected from among the leading parties, as nearly as possible, and as Nihoa has one Socialist vote, that voter must be given a place on the board of inspectors if the law is to be complied with.

Nihoa this year contained just thirty-one electors. All voted the straight Democratic ticket save the one. For years Nihoa has been solid-

ly Republican until a couple of years ago, when one man who wanted a job on the board of inspectors, discovered the regulation mentioned above. He had been Republican, but he wanted a job on election day, so he turned Democrat and notified the Secretary of his change of faith, at the same time calling attention to the election law's provision and demanding his rights as "the representative of the Democratic party in that precinct." His contention could not be denied, and he was given the coveted job.

Now, whether this same man intuitively discerned that the democratic party would take possession of the island this year, and switched to the Socialist ranks to insure his place on the board is a question that puzzles the Secretary. At any rate an effort will be made to find out who Nihoa's solitary Socialist is, that the party may not be overlooked when the time comes around again to select inspectors.

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not of a character perishable within a period reasonably required for transportation and delivery."

Another important paragraph permits the Postmaster General to change zone limits and to raise or lower rates and weight limits with the consent of the Inter-State Commerce Commission; this is a very wise paragraph and will go far toward making the parcels post a success under its provisions, I believe that locally we will eventually ask

him to make units of the island of Oahu, the islands of Molokai and Lanai, the island of Maui, the island of Hawaii and the island of Kauai; five units in all, with the second zone rate applying between any of these units except between Hawaii and Kauai, perhaps, where the third zone rate would apply, owing to the longer haul and transshipment at this port.

Fight by Express Companies.
In conclusion, I want to call your attention to the fact that there will be a very determined effort made in Congress at its coming session next month to keep this act from ever going into effect. My information as to the truth of this statement is contained in several articles and editorials in late issues of Eastern newspapers and trade papers. An organization known as the Postal Progress League, supposed to be financed by the express companies, is at the head of this movement and will try to get a bill through repealing part or all of the act, or delaying the inception of the service.

Many trade papers are urging local merchants and commercial organizations all over the states, that desire to see the zone system given a thorough trial, to inform their Congressmen by letter and resolution how they stand in the matter; I insert here an editorial from the Dry Goods Economist of October 19:

"It is essential for all who favor the zone system to agitate against the flat rate. You may prefer the zone system because the parcels post on that basis seems less threatening to your business. You may prefer it because you regard zones as the only method by which a parcels post can be properly conducted in a country

having so extensive a territory as ours. But, if you do favor the zone system, for whatever reason, it is your duty from now on to make your views known. Express them clearly by letter to your Senator and Representative. Put them also before the editors of your local papers. They may not understand the case as you do. And it is essential that the right view—and not the wrong one—be put before your community. Every merchant can lend a hand in influencing public opinion, if he will take the trouble to do it, and go at it in the right way. And in this case, as in others in this land of popular rule, it is public opinion that decides."

FREE DELIVERY AGAIN DELAYED

At a meeting of the Civic Federation yesterday, it was announced by chairman Anderson, of the legislative committee, that, as the result of an inspection made by Postoffice Inspector Jarvis, that only about fifty per cent of the residents of Manoa had numbered their houses and placed receptacles for mail in compliance with the rule. Kaimuki is in the same condition, and on account of this it is hardly likely that the two districts will get free delivery at this time.

J. Frank Cooke brought up the subject of the caring of the deaf, dumb, and blind children of the city, and there was considerable discussion on

this point. It was decided to refer the matter to the committee on charity, industry, and education, who will, in turn, report back to the federation so that provision can be made for the care of these children.

It was reported by J. M. McChesney, chairman of the public parks committee, that 120 coconut trees had been presented to Quarantine Island, where they were now being set out. Upon the request of the Punchbowl Improvement Club, the federation endorsed the Robinson plan as applied to the new streets now being opened up in that district. This plan provides for the laying of all pipes, either gas, water, or by electric companies, before the street is surfaced. A copy of the plan and the endorsement will be sent to the superintendent of Public Works.

NEW MAN-KILLING MACHINE TRIALS

A press report states that Vickers (Ltd.), (England) have recently received orders for 1000 new automatic rifle caliber guns, the Governments adopting the gun including five of the first-class powers of Europe. The new gun differs in many respects from the company's earlier types, being lighter and more mobile, while modifications have enabled the gun to continue firing for much longer periods without becoming overheated. This has been achieved partly by a new system of condensation, with the water in the jacket for cooling the barrel in continuous circulation in association with separate condenser. On one trial 180,000 rounds were fired from one gun, and of these 30,378 rounds

were fired from the same barrel; it was only at this point that there was any falling off in efficiency. In 15 minutes 2672 aimed rounds were fired and of the original supply of 5 lbs. of water in the jacket, and the condenser combined, 1 lb. still remained.

The gun weighs only 57 pounds, as compared with 60 pounds of the former service automatic rifle caliber guns while with the necessary cooling water the weight is 38 pounds, against 64 pounds. The length of the barrel is about the same, but length of the water jacket has been increased at the chamber end, where the heat is greatest. —Consular Report.

Several lives were lost, all women, in a great fire which destroyed practically all of the great John Barker department stores in London.

It is reported from Stockholm that the Nobel prize for literature will probably be awarded to Anatole France.

Three German naval officers were killed off Kiel by the explosion of a sea mine during practice maneuvers. A favorite dog of the late King is seriously ill and Queen Alexandra has given an eminent sculptor the commission of executing a statue of the dog for his grave.

Over 3000 whales have been killed by whalers in the northwest this last season. One company operating ten vessels secured more than 1000 whales.

The British fleet is under sealed orders for Turkey, so it is reported, and the citizens of Constantinople are in a panic now that heavy firing can be heard in the distance.



Here is a wealth of suggestions to make the traditional Thanksgiving Dinner an unusually fine occasion this year. Order either by telephone or a personal visit to the store.

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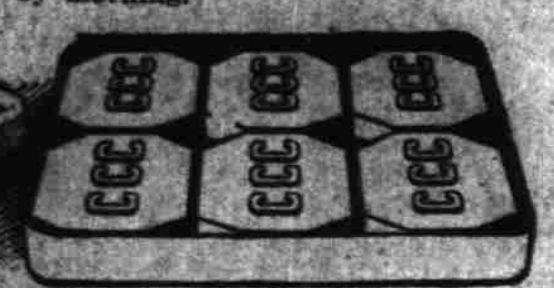
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